

MANY CITY SALARY CHANGES PROPOSED

Bureau of Standards Recommends More Pay for Police Department Head.

WOULD CUT PARK TOTAL

Board of Election Commissioners Too Large—Public Hearings Planned.

Many changes in salaries of heads of city departments are recommended in a report on the salaries of all city employees prepared by the Bureau of Standards and published by the committee on salaries and grades of the Board of Estimate, of which Mayor Mitchell, Comptroller Frederickson and Borough President Founds of Brooklyn are members. Public hearings will be held on the proposals.

Four departments—Police, Health, Dock and Ferries and Charities—are deemed so exacting that their heads should be better paid. The report recommends \$2,000 a year instead of \$1,500 for Commissioner Woods, Emerson R. A. C. Smith and Kingsbury, though the abolition of one \$5,000 deputyship in the Charities Department is recommended.

On the other hand, the report recommends that the salaries of License Commissioner Bell and Tenement House Commissioner Murphy be reduced, the former from \$7,500 to \$5,100 and the latter from \$7,500 to \$4,000. Taking Henry Bruers at his word, the report says the office of City Chamberlain should be abolished and a deputyship in the Department of Finance at \$7,500 replace the \$12,000 a year job.

The duties of the Assessors, the report says, can be discharged by one Assessor at \$5,100 and a \$3,000 a year legal adviser instead of by three Assessors at \$5,000. In case the Dock Department is widened to a port and terminal department, Commissioner Smith should get \$9,000 instead of \$7,500.

The board of four Election Commissioners is too large, the report says, and one Commissioner at \$6,000, or perhaps three at \$4,500, should replace the four at \$5,000. The Municipal Civil Service Commission also is too large and instead of a President and two Commissioners, with salaries totalling \$16,000, there should be a president, a commissioner and a secretary.

The Park Board also should be reorganized, the report says, with a single commissioner at \$7,500 and one or two deputies at \$5,100. At present the President and three Commissioners get \$20,000 all told.

The Commissioners, six of them, of Taxes and Assessments should get \$3,100 each, not \$7,000 as at present, or the number might be cut to three or four at \$4,000. Of the five deputy commissioners, the salary of the Tenement House Commissioner the report says "Administrative problems in the department do not justify what he now receives."

In recommending the increase for the Health Commissioner the report says \$7,500 is hardly enough to attract a first class man. Police Commissioner Woods is recommended for a \$1,500 raise because "the arduous and difficult duties of this position are as well known as no argument is required for a higher salary."

Commissioner Kingsbury should get \$5,000 at once, the report says, because of the complex work of the Charities Department, and "perhaps the public hospitals should be taken off his hands and made into a separate department."

Many deputy commissioners are found to be superfluous. The Deputy City Chamberlain is first on the list, followed by the Assistant Deputy Comptroller. One of two in the License Department should go, as should one deputy in the Charities Department. Of the five deputy commissioners of Public Works, whose salaries total \$21,600, as is one of the four street cleaning deputies at \$4,000. Four of the five deputy commissioners of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity should go, the report says, and the one retained be paid \$6,000. The present total is \$22,500.

15,000 STRIKERS ON PICKET DUTY TO-DAY

Deadline in the Conference Causes Union Leaders to Take Precautions.

With a deadlock still continuing between the conference committees of the Cloak, Suit and Skirt Manufacturers Protective Association and the Cloakmakers Union over the strikers' demands for a preferential union shop, labor leaders have prepared for an active resumption of the strike to-day. It was said that more than 15,000 workers will be put on picket duty.

Jacob H. Schiff, Samuel Wintermyer and other wealthy men and women members of the citizens committee for the support of the locked out cloakmakers have assured the strike leaders that they will continue the financial aid they have been giving to the strikers. Several have promised \$2,500 each to the strike fund and say they will keep up their donations until the trouble is settled. It is said they expect to raise \$25,000 a week.

Efforts to obtain contributions for the cloakmakers from all affiliated unions all over the country are being made by officials of the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union. President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor has announced that he intends to appeal for help to the 2,000,000 members of his organization. Mr. Gompers, as president of the joint conference, made this statement yesterday.

"Even if the union leaders wanted to settle on the basis offered by the manufacturers Saturday the members of their unions would not consent. The manufacturers may be able to starve the workers so they will go back temporarily, but that would not be a settlement. They would only strike again for their rights when the proper moment arrived."

A further attempt at a settlement will be made to-day at a conference between manufacturers and workers.

20 G. O. P. ORATORS FOR MAINE. Republicans Bend Every Effort to Carry the State.

WASHINGTON, July 16.—The Maine campaign is engaging the attention of national politicians. The Republicans appear to be confident, but they will not overlook anything. A prominent Senator said to-day that twenty of the best orators in the Republican party would invade Maine. Both parties appear to feel the strategic importance of carrying the State in September.

The Democratic leaders have apparently waked up to the danger for them lurking in the efforts of the remnant of the Bull Moose party to put a third ticket in the field, and fear that the men who will vote the Moose ticket, if one is nominated, would be lost to the Democratic ticket and not to the Republicans.

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HUGHES ASSURED OF N. J. MOOSE'S AID

Everett Colby Tells Him Ultra Radicals Cannot Switch State Support.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., July 16.—The action of the New Jersey Progressive committee at Newark yesterday in refusing to ratify the National Committee's endorsement of Charles E. Hughes and in voting to maintain the third party organization was the subject of a long telephone conversation between Mr. Hughes and Everett Colby to-day. Mr. Colby, who attended the Newark meeting, passed Sunday at his summer home in Southampton.

Mr. Colby assured Mr. Hughes that the seven men who voted against an endorsement of the Republican ticket were ultra radicals and that their action was in no sense representative of the opinion of the great body of the New Jersey Bull Moose. Later he said of his conversation with the nominee:

"I told Mr. Hughes of my confidence that he will receive the support of New Jersey Progressives. We can give him our votes without sacrificing either our principles or our self-respect. The seven radicals at the Newark meeting expressed their personal opinion only. Mr. Hughes appeared to be well pleased with my report."

Mr. Colby expressed sympathy for John M. Parker of Louisiana, whom the Progressive convention in Chicago nominated for Vice-President, and who has now issued a call for a third party convention to meet on August 5.

"Mr. Parker unfortunately is a man without a party," said Mr. Colby, who is now manager of the Republican campaign committee. "We who formerly were Republicans have been enabled to return to that party because it has met our demands and Mr. Parker can hardly return to the Democratic party gracefully. If his call is heeded and a campaign is started, I doubt if his new party will poll 100,000 votes."

Mr. Hughes would not comment on the action taken at the Newark meeting, but it was apparent to-day that if he had felt any misgivings Mr. Colby had reassured him. The nominee's friends believe that he looks with confidence for the support of virtually all who were Republicans previously to the defection of 1912.

He considers that most of the Progressives are already back in line and that he counts upon his speech of acceptance to be delivered in Carnegie Hall July 29, to cause the return of nearly all the remaining prodigals.

The possibility that the third party convention which John M. Parker has called to meet in Chicago will be in session on the day that Mr. Hughes visits that city on his first campaign tour is giving rise to interest speculation.

According to the present tentative programme Mr. Hughes will speak in Chicago on the night of August 8, just three days after the Parker convention is called to order. If the third party delegates are still in the city the Republican nominee, it is predicted, will use his address as a make an effective appeal to them.

Mr. Hughes and his family attended services in the Presbyterian church here this morning. The pastor, the Rev. Arthur Newman, made no reference to politics in his sermon or prayers.

Field Day Sale Opens Wednesday.

The Active Service Auxiliary Committee, promoting a guardsmen's field day at the Sheephead Bay Speedway on Saturday afternoon, July 29, the proceeds to be used in aiding dependents of New York National Guardsmen now on service, announces Wednesday as the opening day of its ticket campaign.

BABIES ARE HAPPY IN GRIP OF SCOURGE

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them," said Dr. Laub as he petted one of the babies. "They require a great deal of time and attention. They must be fed, kept clean and special attention must be given to the muscles that are paralyzed. By watching them carefully we succeed in keeping them contented and happy."

One baby, who had kicked so energetically that he lost his nightgown, showed a strip of adhesive plaster on his back bearing his name.

"Oh," explained Dr. Laub when asked about that, "the babies were coming in so fast at one time that we put a piece of adhesive plaster on the back of each and wrote his or her name on it. That was to make sure that the babies did not get mixed in the rush."

The physician explained that the babies had been assigned to wards according to the type of the disease. The children afflicted with paralysis of the respiratory organs were put in one ward where they could receive the special nursing. It was in this ward alone that there was any evidence of suffering. In another ward were the children who needed the attention of the orthopedic surgeons; that is, braces for the feet or the legs.

The children are as a rule happy after the disease has reached its climax," said Dr. Laub. "Then they begin to mend rapidly."

There are more than 300 children in the Kingston avenue hospital, and the hospital is now taxed to its utmost. Dr. Colby, who attended the Newark meeting, passed Sunday at his summer home in Southampton.

ONLY 98 NEW VICTIMS.

Total of 17 Shows Decline Also in Deaths.

There was a marked falling off yesterday in the number of new victims attacked by infantile paralysis. Only ninety-six babies were afflicted, compared with 144 on Saturday. The deaths numbered seventeen, as against twenty-seven on Saturday.

Of the total new cases sixty-five were in Brooklyn, recording a marked decrease in that borough. Manhattan had twelve new cases. The Bronx six, Queens six and Richmond five. There were only nine deaths in Brooklyn for the day, four in Manhattan, two in Queens and two in Richmond.

Deputy Commissioner John S. Billings, who was in charge of the Health Department in the absence of Dr. Haven Emerson from the city, said the light figures for the day must not be taken too lightly. He pointed out that many doctors probably were out of the city over Saturday. He said, however, that fewer suspected cases are being reported.

Dr. Billings said one case had been reported at Broad Channel, near Rockaway Beach. No road for automobiles runs there, and as the authorities do not wish to use the railroad they will send one of the Health Department boats to-day to get the child.

Dr. Louis C. Ager, visiting physician of the Kingston Avenue Hospital, Brooklyn, said he had received \$1,400 to be used in buying braces and providing electrical treatment for convalescent children.

Dr. C. E. Banks of the United States Public Health Service will not begin an examination of all children leaving the city by rail until he receives further instructions from Washington.

BATHING CITY STREETS. Fetherston's Report Dwells on Anti-Paralysis Fight.

The annual report of Street Cleaning Commissioner Fetherston, made public yesterday, emphasizes the extent to which the streets are being flushed both as a permanent cleanliness measure and as an aid to fighting the infantile paralysis epidemic. At present, all streets in congested sections are flushed night and day, and the increase in the area flushed daily is 30 per cent.

How employees of the department act as "housekeepers" of the city is shown by a calculation that each one cleans house for 1,805 persons, thirty-seven paralytic and twenty-three automobiles several times a day. The report also shows that there was an increase of 15,013, or 33 per cent, in the number of automobiles in Manhattan, The Bronx and Brooklyn, and no increase at all in the number of horses over the previous year. There are 9,362 more buildings than last year in the three boroughs.

ARREST GIVES TRACE TO HOTEL ROBBERIES

Stallos, Houseman, Found With Gems From Mrs. Ruth Bird.

In the arrest of John Stallos, 24, a houseman at the Hotel Devon, in West Fifty-fifth street, the police believe they have the ringleader of a band of thieves who have been robbing wealthy patrons in prominent hotels all over the country for many months.

Robberies aggregating more than \$150,000 are laid at the door of this group. In Stallos's possession was a diamond and pearl brooch valued at \$2,500 identified as the property of Mrs. Ruth Bird, who on June 2 was robbed of \$25,000 worth of valuables in her apartment at the Hotel Gotham.

When examined by Detective Glary and Miller of the Fourth branch bureau, who arrested him, Stallos gave information which the police believe will lead to the recovery of \$5,000 worth of diamonds in Woonsocket, R. I., also belonging to Mrs. Bird and which will be the means of restoring about \$10,000 worth of the valuables originally stolen from her. They will go to Rhode Island this week to look for the jewels.

The detectives also discovered in Stallos's rooms at 242 West Fifty-fourth street a quantity of gold settings with the jewels removed bearing the Tiffany trade mark but with the identification marks of the owners carefully removed. Stationery of the Colonial Annex, Pittsburgh, the Saratoga Hotel of Chicago and other hotels was also found.

The prisoner was with a woman who said she was Mrs. Sarah Scheetz, daughter of Joseph Pearl, a banker of South Bethlehem, Pa. Mrs. Scheetz was arrested as an accomplice. Stallos maintained that he found the pearl brooch in the private hall of Mrs. Bird at the Gotham. He denies any part in the robberies, but will come before Magistrate Simms in Yorkville court to-day, posing as a wealthy foreigner.

MUST INSURE CITY EMPLOYEES. State and Cities Included in the Compensation Law.

ALBANY, July 16.—New York city must now insure under the workmen's compensation law all its employees engaged in the hazardous occupations enumerated in that law. The State, counties, cities, towns and villages must also insure workmen engaged in dangerous employments under the compensation act.

Attorney-General Woodbury has rendered an opinion to this effect, basing his ruling upon a recent amendment to the workmen's compensation law which so broadened the statute as to make it cover employees performing risky work for the State or any of its municipalities. This amendment is Chapter 622 of the laws of this year.

Prior to this ruling the policy of the State and its municipalities did not call for such insurance. This policy was grounded on the belief that since the State and its subdivisions were not engaged in business for pecuniary gain, their employees did not come within the provisions of the compensation law.

The average requirements of armor for the battleships of the United States have for many years been about 10,000 tons a year.

But the Government has heretofore encouraged three plants to keep available a total capacity of 30,000 tons—ready for use in an emergency.

The Naval Bill now before the Senate carries an appropriation of \$11,000,000 to build a Government armor plant, making unnecessary, under ordinary conditions, the existing private plants, and destroying this important reserve factor in national defense.

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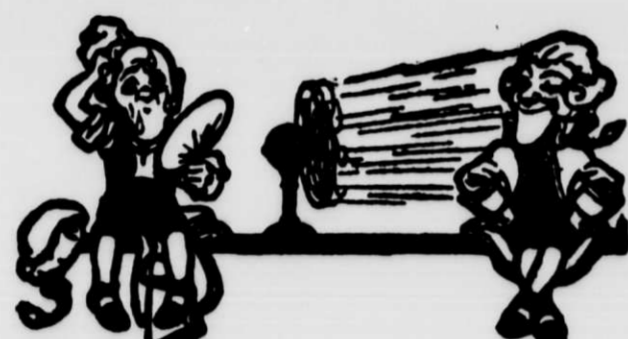
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